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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT (PAPER NO. 3)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Restriction Requirement/Species Election (Paper No. 3) mailed June 16, 2003 is due by July 16, 2003. Please accept this Response as timely filed.

Restriction was required among the following three species:

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Figures 1-2; II:

Figure 3; or

Figures 4-5. III:

GROUP 3600

Applicants hereby elect Group I, Figures 1-2. Claims 1-2 are submitted to be directed at the elected species. Claim 1 is submitted to represent a generic claim.

No change is required in the inventorship of the application as a result of the election.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter in due course.

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Applicants submit that this application now is in condition for examination on the merits and early action in that regard is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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